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County Christian Endeavorers are in the City.

THE CONVENTION PROGRAM

For Opening Session—Visitors Enter, Tained by City Endeavorers— Reception Tomorrow —Program.

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GEN. LAWTON'S SOLDIERS FIGHTING LIKE INDIANS

Details of the Onward March of the Americans in the Philippines—No Let Up.

Less Than 25 Scouts Partly Exterminate and Hold at Bay 300 Filipinos—Army Capturing Prisoners Every Day.

MANILA, May 5, 5 p. m.—

Gen. MacArthur's division ad-

vanced to San Fernando to-day,

and the place had been

occupied by the rebels, who left

only a small detachment to cover

the retreat by train. MacArthur

reached the burning town with-

out delay. The rebels south of

MacArthur's line last night.

The attempt failed, but the

rebels maintained a fusillade on

the fourth infantry for several

hours. The demonstration was

intentional beyond scaring inhab-

itants of Malabon. The outposts

of the U.S. and California regi-

ments beyond San Pedro Macita

were also attacked during the

night. Gen. Lawton is still at

Dalmeida.

Wounded—Monitor Action

NEW YORK, May 5.—The

Journal's Manila special says:

Gen. Luna was wounded in the

fighting near San Tomas yester-

day.

The Monitor today is shelling

Parangue, south of Manila.

Cable Cut.

NEW YORK, May 5.—The cable

between Manila and London, in

the Philippines, has been inter-

rupted. The cause of the interrup-

tion is not known.

Fight Like Indians.

MANILA, May 4, 12:30 P. M.—

Detailed reports of the work of

General Lawton's expedition show

that the fighting took place during

the early part of this week and

the latter accounts indicated. In

the attack upon San Rafael the

American forces met heavy fire from a

number of rebels concealed in

the forest. It was only by the

cleverness of the tactics followed

in the attack that the United States

army was able to capture the

place without loss. General

Lawton is now at the head of

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The statement is also made that sev-

eral Carlist organs in the interior have

been seized and the editions sup-

pressed by the police, the papers being

El Triunfo, La Justicia and another

of a similar character. The proclama-

tion is written in stirring style and

states that the people are robbed of

their ancient liberties and that those

at the head of the affairs of the nation

are but aliens who have usurped the

throne and have not the true interests

of the country at heart.

Many arrests have followed these

disclosures, and it is reported that

the French government has been request-

ed by that of Spain to aid at the frontier

in putting down the rebellion, while

the assistance of Italy is also solicited

on the border of that nation.

WOMAN'S DEED

Daughter Kills Her Own

Mother.

CHICAGO, May 5.—Mrs. Augusta

Styles of 182 Sheffield avenue, killed

her mother, Mrs. Catherine Schultz,

for revealing to the former's 16-year-

old daughter, Belle, the fact that she

was born five years before her parents

were legally married. The murder

was carefully planned and sensation-

ally executed. Mrs. Styles, after buy-

ing a cheap revolver at a hardware

store, and enough cartridges to load

it, went to the home of her mother,

50 Clifton avenue. Here a sister told

her mother had gone to a meet-

ing of the Martha Washington Fran-

chises, which was to be held in

Walke's hall, corner of Barclay street

and North avenue. The daughter im-

mediately went there and stationed

herself in a hallway, through which

her mother would have to pass to

enter the hall. Here she waited two

hours. Her mother was one of the

last to come, and she did not see Mrs.

Styles until the latter confronted her

with a revolver in her hand.

"You have ruined the life of my

daughter, an innocent girl, and made

my life unbearable," exclaimed the

daughter. Then she began firing, the

first shot cutting Mrs. Schultz's

jugular vein. She fell to the floor,

the next two shot missing her. Two

more bullets pierced her breast. In-

side the hall there was a panic, some

of the women trying to jump out of

the hall. At the last shot Mrs. Styles

threw the revolver away and began

to cry bitterly, making no resistance

when the police arrived. The mother

died almost instantly on receiving the

first shot. Mrs. Styles' husband is a

machinist and knew nothing of the

trouble until he met his wife in the

police station, when she fell into his

arms imploring forgiveness, saying:

"She drove me to it; she has ruined

all of our lives."

THE OFFICERS.

The officers for the coming year

were elected as follows:

President—Rev. M. E. Spayd.

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Blue Mound.

Secretary—Charles Record.

Treasurer—James W. Fritz.

Missionary Superintendent—John A.

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Junior Superintendent—Miss Nell

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Mrs. R. J. Simpson was absent

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C. E. CONVENTION

Good Attendance and Satisfactory Reports.

NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Third and Last Missionary Extension Lecture This Evening—Reception This Afternoon—Everyone Welcome.

The morning session of the Macon County Christian Endeavor convention was a very interesting one from a business point of view. The reports were heard and the officers elected for the coming year.

Miss Carrie Knapp, the secretary, reported a year of active and beneficial work. The rallies held over the county were especially helpful; the missionary extension course of three numbers has been a decided success and served to promote the interest in missions among the societies. The societies have grown. There are now 1000 active and 200 associate members. There are 29 Senior, 6 Intermediate and 10 Junior societies. Seventy have united with the church in the past year through the influence of the society. The Tenth Legion has 30 members and there are 25 quiet hour comrades.

The treasurer, Arthur Pritchett of Ninette, reported \$10.40 received during the year; \$32.90 has been expended, leaving a balance of \$22.50 in the treasury. The sum of \$3 has been collected at each of the seven rallies and this has also been expended in the work.

Miss Ida Humphreys gave the missionary report. Five missionary libraries have been established in the past year, the Congregational church having the largest. The First Baptist church leads in the Tenth Legion, having 19 members. The First M. E. comes in second with 14 members. The First M. E. leads in contribution, having given \$57 to foreign and \$110 to home missions in the past year. The First Presbyterian is second. It has contributed \$65 to foreign and \$25 to home missions. The Christian tabernacle has given \$60.60 to foreign and \$5.21 to home missions. There has been raised in the county \$231.39 for foreign and \$253.26 for home missions in the past year. All the societies with a few exceptions are helping to support missionaries and some are educating a child. The First M. E. has a personal representative in the field in the person of Miss Minnie Wilson, a missionary now in China. The First Baptist society has pledged \$500 to the church debt and the Christian tabernacle expended \$250 on church property and \$100 on remodeling the church.

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took the subject of junior work,

making an excellent talk on "The

Necessity of a Junior Society in the

Church and How to Organize a Junior

Society."

The afternoon program contained

several interesting features. One of

the most important of which is the

reception which will be held from 5

to 7 at the church. A supper con-

sisting of sandwiches, meat and potato

salad, pickles, cake and coffee will be

served by the chairman of the social

committee of the societies of the city,

under the direction of Miss Nellie

Filo.

EVENING SESSION.

The third and last of the mission-

ary extension lectures will be de-

livered this evening by Rev. A. C.

Winton of Chicago. The music will

be a special feature and everyone is

cordially invited to attend.

CONVENTION EVENING.

The first session of the Macon

County Christian Endeavor con-

vention was held at the Cumberland

Presbyterian church last evening with

nearly 300 people in attendance, the

majority of whom were delegates.

The Christian Endeavor societies of

St. Louis, Illinois, Boiling Springs,

Blue Mound, North Park, Macon,

Harristown and 15 Decatur societies</

SUDDEN ATTACK TWO BIG DEALS IN CHICAGO

Of Apoplexy While Riding on a Train.

AN UNKNOWN WOMAN IS ILL

At St. Mary's Hospital—She was Taken from Vandalia Train This Morning—May be Mrs. Griffin.

Mrs. Griffin is supposed to be the name of a lady who is quite ill at St. Mary's hospital in this city. She is unaccompanied by any friends or acquaintances. She is here in an unconscious condition and unable to tell her name or residence.

The circumstances are rather startling. The lady got on the west bound Vandalia train at Terre Haute supplied with a ticket to Chicago, her intention evidently being to change cars at Atlanta and there take the C. and A. to her destination. A short time before the train reached Decatur and at a point several stations south of this place, the lady was suddenly stricken and fell over in the car in an unconscious condition. She was given all the attention possible by the trainmen and passengers and when the train reached Decatur she was taken to St. Mary's hospital and Dr. Parish was called to attend her. Dr. H. C. Jones was also called. The physicians believe that the lady will recover. They say she suffered a prolonged fit of epilepsy and was still partially unconscious this afternoon. The lady was well dressed, is about 40 years old and has black hair sprinkled with gray. There was nothing by which she could be identified excepting two cards in her pocketbook. On one was written the name of Mrs. Griffin, 1115 40th street, Chicago. The other was the business card of Dr. Morehead, Columbia building, Chicago. Dr. Parish asked the lady if her name was Griffin, and although she could not speak she seemed to indicate by a nod of her head that such was the case. An effort is being made to find friends of the lady. Her baggage, which consisted of two trunks, went on with the train, but will be brought back to Decatur.

LATER DEVELOPMENTS.

This afternoon the lady was slightly better and the doctors think she will recover. She was conscious enough for Dr. Jones to learn that she formerly lived in Chicago and that her husband was a traveling man and that she does not now reside at the address given on the slip of paper in her pocketbook. She stated that her name was Griffin.

SALOON SOLD.

Property of Wilson and Rawley was bought in by Brennenman & Co.

This forenoon Constable Conard sold under a foreclose-ure the property of the Wilson & Rawley saloon on North Water street. There was but one bid made, the property being bought in by J. C. Hestler for D. W. Brennenman & Co., the firm holding the mortgage. The bid was \$1900. The saloon will not be opened. The property is for sale.

NOT GUILTY

Was the Verdict in the Case of Mrs. Reardon Before Justice Smith.

The case of Mrs. Reardon, charged with keeping a house of ill fame, which was on trial before Justice Smith yesterday, came to a close last evening. The jury could not decide on a verdict and they were left in charge of the police officers. After 11 o'clock a sealed verdict was given to Officer Penton. This morning the verdict was opened and it was learned that the jury found Mrs. Reardon not guilty.

Wall paper 2c per roll at Scott's. —4-29-dtf

Sold an Elevator.

The elevator at Corro Gordo, Ill., which for a number of years past has been owned by the Shellabarger Mill and Elevator Co., has been sold to Ulrich & Sons of Springfield. The capacity of the elevator is 45,000 bushels and in addition there are in connection with the place a number of cribs. The new owners will operate the elevator at Cairo Gordo.

Carpets 9c per yard and up at Scott's. —4-29-dtf

TWO MEN HANGED.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—William M. Strather and Charles Winston, both colored, were hanged here this afternoon. The crimes were similar. Each killed a woman through jealousy. Both professed religion and went singing to the gallows. They continued singing until the drop fell.

According to the London Statist the Chinese government has borrowed in Europe, since 1894, \$275,775,000.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. *Chas. H. Pritchett.*

THIS IS FIELD DAY

For High School Athletic Association.

EXERCISES AT RACE TRACK

This Afternoon were Well Attended—Those Who Won the Events

Up to Time of Going to Press.

The annual field day exercises of the Decatur High school athletic association have been in progress this afternoon at the race track. There was quite a large attendance. The program and prize list were published in this paper during the past few days. The field and track officers who were in charge today were as follows:

Starter—Professor Patton.

Judge of the Walk—Prof. H. Hoteling.

Timers—George Post and Dr. F. O. Rhoades.

Announcer—Linn Radcliff.

Judges of Runs and Bicycle Races—Charles Pennington and J. H. Latham.

The field judges are J. McAllister, Archie Wilson and Tom McClelland.

The winners of the events up to the time of going to press were as follows:

100 Yard Foot Race—Eight starters

Conley won in 10 3/4 seconds, Brad-

clock second, Kincaid third.

440 Yards Handicap Foot Race—Six-

teen starters. C. Smith won in 19 3/4

seconds; Deetz second; R. Metz third,

all 60-yard men.

Prices for Richard Mansfield.

Paul Wistach, the advance agent for Richard Mansfield, arrived in the city this morning from Terre Haute. He called on Manager Given and made final arrangements for the production of "Cyrano de Bergerac" at the Grand May 12. The prices for the attraction were fixed as follows: Parquet and first three rows dress circle, \$2.50; remainder down stairs seats, \$2; first three rows in balcony, \$2; next three, \$1.50; remainder, \$1; first three rows in gallery, 75 cents balcony, 50 cents. Boxes, \$2.50 per seat.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Stores.

Ill. Cent. R. R. Co.

Will sell to Denver, Col., and return, at \$38.40, account C. P. church meeting. Good going May 15 and 16. Returning not later than June 15. 1899. Leave here at 11 a. m. arrive at Denver at 6:30 p. m. next day. For further information call at City Ticket Office or Union Depot.—5-dtf

There are 439 bridges in New York. The borough of Richmond has 214, Bronx 79, Queens 46, Brooklyn 53 and Manhattan 11.

The largest lot of velvet carpets is at Scott's. —4-29-dtf

TOLD OF BRIGHT YOUNGSTERS.

"Papa," asked a four-year-old youngster, "are all little boys made of dust?" "Yes, my son," was the reply. "Well, then," continued the little fellow, "I wish you would make nurse stop using the white-broom on me. I'm afraid she'll break me all away."

"Why, Willie," said his mother one day when they were out walking, "what do you mean by offering a penny to that male?" "Because," replied the young love-lifter, "I heard papa say that money makes the male go, and I want to see if it has the same effect on a male."

Teacher—"You should be very careful what you say, Johnny. Do you know what will become of you if you keep on telling stories?" Johnny—(who owns the papers)—"Yes, I'll get invitations to all the big dinners when I grow up and become a United States senator from New York."

Tommy (aged four)—"Mamma, why don't papa take me out nights with the other little boys?" Mamma—"Why, dear, your papa doesn't take any other little boys with him. What put that idea into your head?" Tommy—"I heard him tell Blank this morning that he was out with the boys last night."

It's a pretty careful speaker who is never compelled to discount his first assertion more than ten per cent. "Oh, mamma," exclaimed little four-year-old Harry, "there's a hole in my stocking as big as a silver dollar." "Are you sure it's that large, Harry?" asked his mother. "Well," was the reply, "it's as big as 99 cents, anyway."—Chicago Daily News.

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CLOAK Department.

Ladies' Jackets.

Ladies' tan Covert Cloth fly front Jacket, lined all through, a regular \$3.00 Jacket for \$2.85.

Ladies' Fine All Wool Venetian Cloth Jacket, silk lined throughout—a regular \$3.50 Jacket for \$3.25.

Children's Trimmed Reefer Jackets—plain and fancy cloths—4 to ten years—\$1.00.

Ladies' Brocaded Silk Dress Skirts—new cut, full width, all lengths—\$3.95.

Ladies' Fancy Silk Shirt Waists, choice new patterns, \$3.95 each.

Kid Gloves.

Our new 2 and 3 Clasp Fine Kid Gloves—Embroidered backs, very light fine stock—a regular \$1.25 quality for \$1.00.

Foster's Lacing Gloves—five and seven hook—real Kid, a regular \$1.00 quality—68c.

Ladies' Neckwear

Belts and Fans...

All the Newest and Latest Styles.

Liberty Silk Scarfs, Renaissance

Lace Scarfs, Black Lace Scarfs.

Fancy stock Collars for wear with Silk and Cotton Waists, New Pique Ties, Silk Ties, Linen Collars in all the new shapes.

New Leather Belts, Beaded Belts, Velvet Belts, Silk Belts, Ribbon Belts, Fancy Metal Belts.

Also, a very large assortment of Fancy Belt Buckles, in Gilt, with Enamel and Jewels, and Plain Oxidized, with Jewels. Cut Steel and Gun Metal.

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DRY GOODS & MILLINERY
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The Stearns is a Speedy Steed

Hundreds of racing records have been made on the regularly built Stearns models. But that's neither here nor there. You want to know the whys and wherefores.

This season's Stearns are built on more graceful lines than ever before. The wheels are lighter, the tread is narrower, rigid tests show a much stronger wheel—these are reasons why you can't go wrong on the Stearns for speed.

Have you seen it? Morehouse & Wells Co.

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Patrons will receive prompt attention

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Why?

If there's one question a Yankee asks more than another it is "why." He always wants to know "why" and there ought to be enough yankee in you to want to know "why" when other dealers ask you \$3 for no better shoe than we sell for \$2.50. Why not wear our \$3 shoes when they're just as serviceable, just as stylish and just as comfortable as anybody's \$4 shoe. "Why" pay another dealer \$2.50 for the shoes we ask but \$2 for, and they are three months ahead in style.

Please Bear in Mind

That we are devoted to your interests and our effort to please you is our constant aim. Our TOP NOTCH LINE of Ladies' and Men's Spring Specialties are world beaters with new and stocking vest effects. Our bargain sale is proving to be one of the most interesting sales we have ever inaugurated. The most careful and economical shoe buyers in the community are showing their appreciation of what we are doing by providing shoes for themselves and families. Anything you want in shoes look to us for it.

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Will retain their shape till worn out.

At \$15, \$18, \$20.

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Plenty of cheaper suits, all wool,

From \$5.00 up.

Big Lot of Spring Top Coats.

New Lot of Fancy Double-Breasted Vests, Men's Trousers—the New things, the New Style—\$1.50 to \$6.00.

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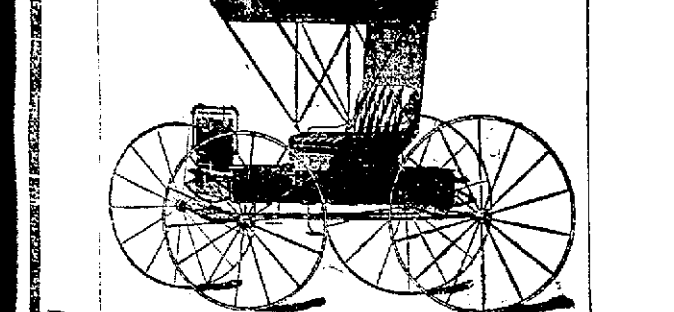
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LOCAL NEWS.

Caldwell's street carriages, 15 cents to any part of the city. Leave orders at Greider's Restaurant, old telephone No. 1531.—mch31-dtf

Smoke the Little Joker—5 cent cigar Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on any goods. Collateral, best rates.—mch22-tf

The first of the season, \$1 to Indianapolis and return, Sunday, May 14, via I. D. & W. Special train leaving at 6:30 a. m. Returning leave Indianapolis at 6:30 p. m.—3-dtd

Dempsey & Hallack, painters, located at 109 East North street, old phone 1371, should be consulted before you have your spring painting and paper hanging done. Their prices are very reasonable.—april-dtf

You pay a little more for the clothes that Denz makes but—

Adjustable awnings—fit any size windows. Just the thing for residences. C. L. Griswold & Co.—26-dtd

Official maps of the city, size about 5 feet square, for sale by W. E. Colladay, City Engineer's office, or L. Chodak's news house.—may5-dtf

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If you are in need of footwear, Rodgers & Clark's ad. will certainly interest you.—26-dtf

Chodak's Little Dutch cigars are excellent. 5 for 10 cents.

Ehrman Laundry and Dyeing Co.

The Ehrman Laundry and Dyeing Co. has rented the elegant Loeb building under Guards' anony, making it one of the finest laundry plants in the state. No laundry will be better prepared to turn out fine work with the best of accommodations.

Ehrman Laundry and Dyeing Co.—1-dtd

The Insurance Gasoline stove can't explode, can't clog up, can't get out of order.—1-29-dtf

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Heard Messiah Rehearsal.

W. F. Henn, a hardware merchant of Latham, is very fond of music and last evening drove to Decatur and returned, a distance of 36 miles, after business hours, in order to be present at the rehearsal of the Messiah. The rehearsals are gaining in interest. There are now nearly 200 in the chorus and the work grows more interesting at every meeting. There will be two rehearsals next week, one on Tuesday and another on Thursday evening.

The only cleanable refrigerator is the North Star Scovill Co. sole agents.—4-29-dtf

Some of the results of neglected dyspeptic conditions of the stomach are cancer, consumption, heart disease and epilepsy. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure prevents all this by effecting a quick cure in all cases of dyspepsia. L. W. Bell, N. L. Krohn, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

PERSONAL.

—Miss Lillian King is the guest of Miss Grace Hudson at Monticello.

—Mrs. Carl Ruelhl has gone to Storm Lake, Iowa.

—Miss Anne Shuler of West Main street is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Driggs of Indianapolis.

—Miss Edith Lytle has returned from an extended visit at Pittsburg.

—Miss Grace Moore of the High school will spend Sunday with her parents at Tolono.

—Miss Stella Keuney of Indianapolis is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Kenney.

—Miss Lillian King is visiting friends in Monticello.

—W. L. Helvey is home from a business trip to St. Louis.

—A. A. Anderson and daughter, Miss Lizzie, of Macon, visited in the city today.

THE FORT of the body is the stomach. Disease can only enter through this gate.

Weakness Here Leads to Weakness All Over the Body

Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will strengthen the stomach and thus cure indigestion, constipation, biliousness, neuralgia, and all kidney and liver troubles.

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MOORE AT MANILA

Decatur's Naval Officer on the Bennington.

LETTER TO HON. W. C. JOHNS

Describing Scenes and the People In and Around the Philippine Islands—Comments on the Army and Results.

The following is a condensation of a long personal letter received Wednesday by Attorney W. C. Johns, from his brother-in-law Charles B. Moore of this city, recently promoted from the position of executive officer of the cruiser Bennington to lieutenant commander, which is equivalent to the rank of major in the regular army. Since the letter was written it was telegraphed that the Bennington had disappeared, or had become lost, but the story is regarded as sensational. She has been on a cruise and had she been lost Admiral Dewey would have made mention of the circumstance in his messages to Washington. Herewith is given the letter:

U. S. S. Bennington, Sorsogon, P. I., March 19, 1899. W. C. Johns, Decatur, Ill.—We were in Manila Bay when your letter came, but we were on such duty that I could not leave the ship. Shortly after the arrival of the letter we sailed, March 20, on a cruise, which we shall end about Wednesday or Thursday, the 23d or 24th.

Since my last letter to you I have been promoted to the rank of lieutenant commander—major in the army—and I am not sure, but think my promotion will date from March 2d or 4th.

As soon as I can get transportation for them I shall send you some Manila cigars to try, and if you like them I will try to send you a supply. Since leaving Honolulu, January 7, I have not been able to leave the ship except on duty, but twice. I took a Sunday off and went to the little town of Agat in Guam, on February 26th, six weeks ago, and I went to Manila for a few hours on Sunday, February 26th. Thus you will see that I have but little opportunity for personal observation of any kind. I must, therefore, be dependent upon hearsay.

Guam is a very pretty and very fertile island, 185 square miles in area, with a population of about 7000. There are very few whites on the island, and they are mostly Spanish political prisoners. The native population is of mixed blood and rotten with the legacy left by whalers that have made it a port of call for years. Copra is the chief product, though coffee, sugar, rice, corn and sweet potatoes can easily be grown. There is plenty of good water to be had and with a thrifty population the island could be made very productive.

The principal town is Agaña, about four and a half miles from the harbor of San Luis d'Apra, where we lay during our stay at the island. I went to Agaña with our battalion on February 1st, when we took formal possession of the island, and hoisted the American flag. As I simply marched into the town and out again, I saw little of it. I had time to observe the style of architecture, however, and to note that the streets were wide and remarkably clean. The houses are all built of wood, with thatched or tiled roofs, and elevated on piles several feet from the ground. This is done to make them dry and habitable in the wet season. The domestic animals live under the houses as a rule.

The draught animals are water buffalo, cows and bulls or oxen. There are a few very small horses. Most people ride cows or bulls. The bridge is a sort of halter with the strap run through the nose of the animal and the animal is directed by pulling its head from side to side. It is very amusing to see a little black cow loping along with a man on her back. The people are very docile and hospitable and greeted us kindly wherever we went. The Sunday I went to Agat, the chief engineer and I took luncheon with the Spanish priest and were nicely entertained. One native insisted on our going to his "ranch" with him, and had his daughter make us some lemonade. The daughter seemed to be clean; she was almost naked to the waist and her body seemed clean, so we had the lemonade made with water from our canteens, the maiden using her freshly washed hands, very deftly, as lemon squeezers.

The women differ from the ordinary tropical women in that they are not so voluptuously developed, but are very well formed. A good looking woman is a very rare sight in Guam, though I am told that several of them were seen in Agaña.

We left Guam for Manila on February 15th, arriving at Manila on the morning of the 22d. We found Admiral Dewey in port and we proved a surprise to him. The Yorktown was expected and he thought we were the Yorktown until we ran up our signal of identification. Our squadron had undisputed possession of the bay, but General Otis was practically besieged in the city. Aguinaldo had the town completely cut off from communication with the country by land and there had been a fight fighting all the time since our arrival. We had a little

fight on March 4th. Our captain, with seven officers and 105 men, landed to take a look around a place that had been shelled by the Monadnock, and were attacked while on shore. I was left in command of the ship and moved in shore until we had but eight inches of water under our keel, to cover the retreat of our people.

One of our engineers, who had been placed in command of a tug for the day, distinguished himself by an act of heroism, that shows the spirit of chivalry is still alive. The force that attacked our people manned some trenches near the landing place and poured in a galling fire. Mr. Winship put the bows of his tug toward the trenches and drew the fire of the enemy till our men in open boats were out of range. His boat was armed with a 37 millimeter revolving cannon, and he gave them 87 shots from it. He was wounded in the knee the first volley but stood to his gun in a most exposed position till our open boats were safe. Then he withdrew with four other boats in his legs and hip. He kept up, saying nothing, till he returned to the ship and had sent the doctor to dress a slight wound his corns had received, when he asked the doctor to look at him and exhibited five wounds. He has almost entirely recovered now, and will be on duty in a few days.

The ship fired only four 3-pounder shells in the fight. We dared fire no more for fear of killing our own men. I do not, of course, know anything of General Otis' plans, but the army at Manila and at Iloilo is about as lively as it was all during the war. General Miller went to Iloilo some weeks ago with about 3000 men in transports, conveyed by the Boston and Petrel. After some delay Captain Wilde of the Boston bombarded the place, landed 75 men from the Boston and Petrel and took the town, and afterwards General Miller's troops took possession.

My friend Cornwell, whom you met on board the Newark, commands the Petrel.

The rebellion here seems to have its entire existence around Manila. We have made an extensive cruise around the group and I am satisfied that when Otis whips Aguinaldo before Manila, all the group will be pacified. Wherever we have gone we have received assurances of a desire for peace, but the natives are waiting the order from Aguinaldo, which will surely be given when he is well liked at Manila.

At Barugo, Island of Loite, we ran up against a yarn that gives a clue to the state of affairs. Aguinaldo had sent word around that he had killed a large number of our soldiers, several generals among them; that he had taken 5000 prisoners; that he had captured the Monterey and Monadnock; that he had mounted their heavy guns on shore, and that the American forces were closely besieged in the "walled city" of Manila. All this was reported as happening before we left Manila. It would seem that he is keeping up the spirits of his followers by lies like this.

It seems hard to make war on these people. They are quiet in the main, and readily submit to the government nearest to them. We could easily have taken any one of the places we have visited, but it would have stopped our cruise. Besides, we had orders not to take any towns on this cruise. The danger of these rascals burning the towns was worthy of thought too. We do not want the towns destroyed.

Night before last we steamed into the harbor of Oiknak without lights and suddenly flashed our searchlight on the town. The water front was discovered to have crowds of merry makers about it. It was laughable to see the people running for dear life and scream with fright.

Under a liberal and kindly government this group of islands with its kindly people will be a realm worthy of a great ruler. Its possibilities of production are not even exploited. Under the Spanish rule it has been terrible for the natives. With the most disreputable priesthood this world has known, sapping its resources or moral strength, and a government oppressively taxing its energies for the benefit of church and state, it is no wonder that little progress has been made. The wonder to my mind is that they ever advanced at all.

But my knowledge is too limited, as yet, to permit me to talk freely. The natural scenery in the islands is really fine. Had we been going about in peace times, we should have enjoyed the trip immensely, but not a soul of us has landed, except the captain, since we left Manila.

This place we are in is a most beautiful bay near the southern end of Luzon, about 250 miles from Manila. It is at least 25 miles from here to the entrance to the bay, and the bay is full of beautiful islands, ranging from 20 feet to hundreds of feet in height. Some of these islands are cultivated; all are well wooded.

C. B. MOORE.

LICENSE REVOKED

The Turkish Show on Park Street Closed.

THE COMPTROLLER EXPLAINS

How It Happened That the Name of

Taylor was on the License—

What the Others Have to Say About the Matter.

In the morning papers today there was a good deal said about a show which was operated in this city last night. On Tuesday evening after 6 o'clock the manager of the company applied at the office of the city clerk to secure a city license under which he could conduct his show. City Clerk Mont Peniwell had left the office at 6 o'clock and Comptroller Robbins was also just getting ready to leave. Mayor Taylor had always been in the habit of signing his name to a number of license blanks so that the clerk could issue licenses without having to run after the mayor for his signature several times a day. There were some of these blanks left over. Mr. Robbins said he made out the license and took the money and his intention was to scratch out the name of B. Z. Taylor, but in his haste to get away to his supper, it being over time, he neglected to do so. The manager of the show assured Mr. Robbins that the show was a decent one and that there was no immoral dancing. The license was for one week beginning Wednesday night. Comptroller Robbins notified Captain Muthersbaugh and told that officer that if the show attempted to open on Tuesday night instead of Wednesday to collect \$3 more for the extra and if there was anything immoral about the show to shut it up.

Marshal Mason says that he learned of the show being in the city and told Captain Muthersbaugh to see the entertainment himself with the view of learning whether or not it was immoral, but there was nothing bad reported by the captain.

Deputy Sheriff Wilson says that he heard the music on South Park street and went around to where the show was being given. Deputy Wilson said today: "There was a man outside telling about the girls and their dancing. I don't know what the show was like but there is no telling what kind of a show might have been given, but I suppose it was a fake. I asked the man if he had a license and he said he would be a fool to run the place without a license. I asked if he would let me see the license and he said it was at the hotel and I said I would like to see it. He went after the license and showed it to me. It was dated May 3 and signed by B. Z. Taylor. I handed it back and went away. I thought that there might be something out of the way that such a show should be given in such a locality under a license signed by an ex-mayor and thought it best to inform Mayor Stadler. I telephoned to him but did not reach him. When Mayor Stadler was reached he revoked the license and said that he had known nothing about it."

The matter was brought to the notice of Attorney A. G. Webber, who called together a number of persons and a meeting was held at his office. Those present besides Mr. Webber were Jack Drennan, S. S. Jack, T. G. Wilson, Wayman Wilkerson, J. W. Bradfield, Major Williams, Mike Cuttle and Will Lindsay. A message was sent to Mayor Stadler and the mayor later came to his office. Some of the gentlemen who were present at the meeting attended the show. Mayor Stadler, with Captain Muthersbaugh, visited the place and the mayor revoked the license.

The money was returned to the show managers today by the city. Comptroller Robbins in speaking of the matter explained how he had issued the license and said:

"The man paid his money and the license was good until Mayor Stadler revoked it. I reported the matter to the police and attended the show myself to see whether or not the man had told me the truth about it. It was a poor entertainment but there was nothing immoral or out of the way about the dancing. It was the business of the city officials to investigate the show and I think there is no law allowing a deputy sheriff to demand a city license. We keep out of the sheriff's business and want to take care of the city business. I told Sheriff Lehman today that I would like to

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ual we are in the lead in our show-
 new spring attire for the little man.
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 permanent wall coating, in all shades. It makes a hard surface,
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 dren's shoes shown by any Decatur
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 is a matter of price you pay we fully
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 people do not understand this point.
 ...and serviceable, dressy
 ...that are made from
 ...at two very low
 ...have spring heels, best quality soles and are well
 ...I have good style and the only thing cheap about
 ...You may have choice of Black or Tan at an absolute
 ...a pair compared with what you are accustomed to
 ...at \$1.19 and
 ...89c



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The Superiorly Large as Compared
 with That from the Gortha
 River in Sweden.

The water, on first visiting timber
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 ...all sorts of waste, says a De-
 ...A raft of logs in
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 ..."We never bother
 ...just order what
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Experiments on Dead Men.
 ...the skulls are being
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Famous Hanging Plant of Arabia.
 ...the same effect upon
 ...the plant at-
 ...two to four feet,
 ...wide-spreading
 ...green foliage. Its
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 ...knocked down
 ...some birds
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 ...the sphere
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...the St. James,
 ...some green
 ...clean out
 ...the stalks.
 ...green pep-
 ...and fresh tomatoes
 ...fried in oil. Put a portion of
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STRIKE AT BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 5.—Situa-
 tion at the docks is practically un-
 changed. The threat to tie up all the
 lake commerce at noon appears to have
 been a bluff, as action by the officers
 entitled to order such action has not
 been had so far as known.

The state board of arbitration ar-
 rived this morning and is holding
 consultations with both sides with a
 view of settlement of the differences.

STARVATION STORY.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 5.—Mail
 Carrier Orinal made a perilous trip
 from the Stikine, river to urge the
 government to send immediate relief
 to over 200 men who are facing starva-
 tion on the Ashcroft trail. Miles and
 dogs had been the sole diet for weeks
 before he left.

MAJOR METCALF COLONEL.

TOPEKA, KAN., May 5.—Governor
 Stanley has appointed Major W. S.
 Metcalf to be colonel of the 20th Kan-
 sas, vice Fauson, promoted to be
 brigadier general.

Granulated cork is the best non-
 conductor known.—4-29-drf

Funeral Notice.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Peter
 R. Williams will be held at the fam-
 ily home, 1124 North Union street, at
 2:30 p. m. Saturday, May 6. Rev.
 Frost Craft officiating. Burial in
 Greenwood. Those wishing to view
 the remains will call at the residence
 from 10:30 a. m. till 12 o'clock Satur-
 day.

The deceased, whose maiden name
 was Margaret Bothel, was born at
 Chillicothe, Ohio, August 13, 1818.
 She came to Decatur with her parents
 in the fall of 1833. She became the
 wife of Peter R. Williams November
 14, 1837. To the couple were born
 two children, Eva and Linn, who
 survive. She was stricken with con-
 sumption last June. She united with
 the Methodist church while Rev. Mr.
 Noble was pastor. Her death occurred
 at 12:45 p. m., May 4.

MARKETS.

FURNISHED BY B. Z. TAYLOR Chicago, May 5.						
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Sept...	73 1/2	73 3/4	72 3/4	72 3/4	73 1/2	73 1/2
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A HELPLESS CHILD.

A weak and puny child is almost as much abandoned to its fate as if it was left alone on a cliff. It is isolated from the healthy enjoyments of its little fellow-beings. It cannot partake either of their play or their study work and progress in the world; its whole life is embittered by incapacity and weakness.

Any woman who expects to become a mother ought to know what Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will do both for her own health and safety during her time of trial and also to insure her in bequeathing a fair measure of health and strength to the prospective little one.

"Some months before my baby came I found myself in rapidly failing health," writes Mrs. W. J. Child, of Hill Dale Farm (Hillside), near Buffalo, N. Y. "I suffered dreadfully from bloating and urinary difficulty. I was growing perceptibly weaker every day and suffered much sharp pain at times. I felt that something must be done. I sought your advice and received a prompt reply. I followed your directions and took twelve bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and also followed your instructions. I began to improve immediately, my health became excellent, and I could do all my own work (we live on a good sized farm), and I walked and rode all I could, and enjoyed it. I had a short, easy confinement and have a healthy baby boy."

There never has been a remedy in the history of medicine that has done what this marvelous "Favorite Prescription" has accomplished for weak failing women. It's an insult to your intelligence for a dealer to attempt to palm off upon you a substitute for this world-famous medicine. You know what you want. It's his business to meet that want. When he urges some substitute he's thinking of the larger profit he'll make—not of your welfare.

TUBULAR CHIMES.

The Famous Westminster Harmonies Are rung in the Kenney Tower in Hartford.

The clock in the Kenney Memorial tower at Tunnel square has begun to toll the hours, and the tubular chimes which are connected with the clock mark the quarter hours by repeating in measures of four notes the famous "Westminster Chimes."

The set in the Kenney Tower, says the Hartford Courant, is made up of five tubes which hang in a frame suspended by Manila tarred rope, and are struck by hammers operated by clock work. The largest of the five tubes is 5 feet 8 inches in length and 5 inches in diameter, weighs 230 pounds, and is keyed to A natural. This tube is simply for the striking of the hour, and has nothing to do with the production of the chime music. The next smaller of the tubes is four inches shorter and weighs 220 pounds. The key of it is B natural, and it is the heaviest of the chimes. The other three tubes are: E natural, 7 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; F sharp, 7 feet, 160 pounds, and G sharp, 6 feet 5 inches, 140 pounds.

The tubes are of soft brass and are drawn in the usual manner by hydraulic pressure, the tone being governed by the length, the diameter and thickness of the metal forming the tube. The tone is soft and melodious, and has a radius of about one mile under favorable conditions. The vibrations last for two minutes, whereas the vibrations of the largest bell last for only one minute.

CIGAROLGY.

Some Indications of Character in the Manner of Handling the Weed.

When you see a man grip a cigar between his teeth and hold it fast, careless of whether it burns or not, you can set him down as an aggressive, calculating and exacting, not to say canny, in individual.

If a man smokes a cigar deliberately, just enough to keep it lighted, and delights in taking it from his mouth and watching the blue smoke from it curl upward, he is likely to be an easy-going man, good-natured and honest, says an exchange.

There is another fellow who smokes intermittently, takes a puff and then rests, and fumbles his cigar about. He is apt to have little decision of character, and to be easily affected by circumstances. A man may be nervous and fumble his cigar a good bit, and in this event he is a would-be swell, vain and frivolous.

He invariably tilts his cigar upward, while a sensible, level-headed fellow will hold it straight out from his mouth. When you see a man chewing up an unlighted cigar, and twisting it about, he is nervous, but of great tenacity.

A man who cannot keep his cigar alight has a whole-souled disposition. He has a lively nature, is a half-fellow-well-met, glib of tongue, and usually a good story teller.

THIS CROWNED HEAD IS IRISH.

King O'Keefe I, Though Born in Ireland, Is an American Citizen—His Kingdom.

David B. O'Keefe, king of the small islands Yap, Oia and St. David, which are about 300 miles from Pelew, has had an adventurous career, says the London Leader.

He is by birth an Irishman, by naturalization an American, and is 65 years of age. When he settled at Yap he married a native princess, who is a shrewd woman and rules when he is away.

The islands over which he rules are his by right of discovery and the acquiescence of the native rulers, and may become the cause of complications. He holds them against the rival claims of Spain and Holland. Over his islands he floats the stars and stripes, and on his single trading schooner he flies the union jack.

O'Keefe is known in Hong-Kong as the copra king. He has accumulated an immense fortune in the coconut trade, and is a millionaire aside from his claim to the islands. He wishes to sell his territory either to the United States or England.

O'Keefe has complete control over his chiefs, and has suppressed the slave traffic which used to be carried on.

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DEWEY KNOWS HIS RIGHTS.

He Would Take No Orders from General Otis—But Took Them from Washington.

Naval officers home from the Philippines have been divulging a few secrets which could hardly have become public in any other way and which have to do with the failure of the land and naval commanders at Manila to agree.

The story begins on the 1st of May, when the then Commodore Dewey achieved a victory which will tell his triumph through the ages, although with a singular modesty and courtesy he left himself out in his report to the department.

"By a combined attack of land and sea forces we have taken Manila," was the wording of his cablegram.

Then Merritt came and was made governor general of the islands which Dewey had virtually taken. On the memorable 13th of August four vessels from Dewey's fleet wrecked Fort San Antonio de Abad and gave the Spanish forces their first stampede toward Malate. That day Gen. Merritt cabled egotistically:

"I have captured Manila with the moral support of the navy."

Merritt was in the Philippines a few days over a month. Then he went to Paris, but Dewey declined to take part in this mission, explaining that he could do more good commanding his fleet. There he remained, feeling not a little resentment over the failure of Gen. E. S. Otis, Merritt's successor as military governor, to consult him about affairs of moment.

Otis rules with a mailed hand, but the Admiral plays his cards like a veteran with good luck. When Secretary Alger cabled Gen. Otis to send troops to Manila under proper escort at once, Otis sent to Dewey an order to prepare a convey for transports forthwith. The admiral's reply to this peremptory command caused some surprise in the higher official circles, outside of which it is still practically unknown.

"This is a ticklish business," answered Dewey to Otis. "I have no business at Manila," and he declined to send any of his vessels there.

The "Father of the Philippines" wished his government to know he was still on the earth and keeping up his end of the string. The expected happened just as he desired. Otis reported to Washington and then there came a cablegram to Dewey directly from Secretary Long telling him to convey the transports to Manila. Orders straight from Washington to him rather than from Otis were what Dewey wanted and the admiral no longer found Manila "a ticklish business."—San Francisco News Letter.

BERMUDA ONIONS.

A New York Dealer Tells Why They Are So Popular in American Markets.

"Nowhere, perhaps, in the world are onions grown to such a state of perfection as in the Bermudas," said a wholesale produce merchant in New York to the writer for the Star, recently. "The balmy climate and rich soil of these islands, together with the careful methods of cultivation, have combined to produce an onion that, for size and flavor, is peerless. The vegetable will average from one-half to one pound and a half in weight. It is always sound, juicy and crisp, and these good qualities are so well appreciated by Americans that about 200,000 crates of the onions are annually shipped to the United States."

"Preparations to supply the markets of this country are made early in January, and when gathered in March and April the onions are carefully selected and packed in crates weighing, when filled, 10 pounds. The onions are then taken to the general receiving wharf, where they are subjected to a rigid inspection by government officers. If the quality of the produce is not good and any imperfect or decayed specimens are found, the farmer is made to pick the goods over and replace them. The onions are then passed by the inspector, and when the crates have been closed and marked by the shipper they are loaded on board a steam ship, which, after a voyage of 48 hours, lands their principal in New York. Here consignments of from 4,000 to 5,000 crates, each containing 150 onions, are received semi-weekly. The vegetable is usually sold by the weight, and is now worth about five cents per pound retail."—Washington Star.

The Largest Trees in the World.

The largest tree in the world is to be seen at Masauli, near the foot of Mount Elina, and is called "The Chestnut Tree of a Hundred Horses." Its name rose from the report that Queen Jane, of Aragon, with her principal nobility, took refuge from a violent storm under its branches. The trunk is two hundred and four feet in circumference. The largest tree in the United States, it is said, stands near Bear Creek, on the north fork of the Tule river, in California. It measures 140 feet in circumference. The giant redwood tree in Nevada is 110 feet in circumference.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Cars Without Wheels.

Street cars without wheels are the latest novelty in vehicles. The cars run on ball bearings, and, being near the line instead of raised above it, are not subject to the same amount of resistance in the form of centrifugal force. Much greater speed is thus obtained and the wear of the balls in carrying the car is much less than the wear of the wheel rims. The movement of the car is easy and agreeable.—Chicago Chronicle.

Not So Fortunate.

Jones—It is said that Dame Fortune knocks once at every man's door.
Smith—Well, it was her daughter, Miss Fortune, who called on me.—Columbus (O.) State Journal.

Asthma in Worst Form Relieved.

Miss Mary Duckers, Parsons, Kansas, writes: I suffered eight years with asthma in its worst form. I had several attacks during the last year and was not expected to live through them. I began using Foley's Honey and Tar and it has never failed to give immediate relief. I recommend it to all those suffering with asthma. 25 and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

The ship yard at Newport News, Va., has contracts for nearly \$10,000,000 of work.

WITHOUT WRAPPING PAPER.

Manila Shopkeepers Have Not Yet Learned How to Do Up a Bundle.

"Such a thing as the delivery of goods from retail stores is unknown in Manila, and even wrapping them up to be carried by the purchaser is not considered a necessity."

If one goes into a tobaccoist's for a box of cigars, it is handed to him over the counter unwrapped. If he, by pantomime or the use of his "Spanish at a glance," succeeds in conveying the intelligence that he desires his purchase wrapped up, a search is instituted for a piece of newspaper, and if this be found, the box is enveloped in it and handed to him with a courtly bow, but without string.

A few bakery wagons may be seen going from house to house, and ice carts and soda water carts, but beyond these, regular delivery vehicles are unknown.

Nor is the early morning made melodious by the clatter of milk wagons. Genuine cow's milk is a scarce article here. The water buffalo supplies most of the milk used, a snow-white liquid containing little cream and having a flavor none too pleasant to the American palate. There are a few Australian cattle kept in the suburbs of Manila, apparently of Durham and Devon extraction, but their milk is liquid gold in comparison with the other.

Instead of milk wagons, bare-legged milkmen trot about with long-necked jars or bumboos cylinders hanging from either end of a pole carried on the shoulder.

All butter is imported in tins, and is a luxury for the rich only. With a luxuriant growth of grass the entire year, this ought to be a paradise for cattle, and perhaps Americans will develop its possibilities in this respect.

The substitute for the butcher cart and the grocer's wagon is the basket of woven bamboo carried from the market on the head of the customer, almost invariably a woman, a term including girls ten years and toothless cronies.

Everything to eat is sold at the "Merced," of which there are half a dozen in the city. But let not the reader think of a market where crisp vegetables, fresh meat or clean fish tempt the eye. Let him rather picture to his mind a large building, an open court, or a group of bamboo stalls, dirty, vile-smelling and unpleasant to the eye, where crowds of women, sprinkled with the male servants of white residents, make their daily purchases and haggle as long over a ten-cent bargain as a white man would over a railroad contract.

Whatever the shopper buys is laid in bulk in her shallow basket, and when she is satisfied she walks calmly away with the basket on her head, its contents exposed to the gaze of the public and accumulating dust.—N. Y. Post.

CUBAN FREEBOOTERS.

The Hardy Raiders Have Laid in Waste Many Homes and Farms.

They are mostly mongrels, weather-hardened and soul-hardened savages, who have reverted to the type of their primitive ancestors, and reacquired the faculty of making a feast day compensate the hardships of six fast days; digesting the sun-dried bull beef of their bivouacs as readily as the made dishes of a ransacked hotel, and sleeping in quinquaries on a pillow of willow hurdles as soundly as in a feather bed. Their fox-trail instinct will easily prevail against the methods of civilized warfare; and their raids have already depopulated numerous districts, some of which once boasted prosperous farms, but are now slumbered as the haunts of the predatory Kabyles are shunned by the Algerian settlers.

In the Sierra de Silla, north-east of Bayamo, the industrial population has almost entirely disappeared under the terror of the freebooters, whose campfires can be seen smoking in the sunlit-glens, and whose constant raids at last ceased to leave the farmers a living share in their agricultural products. The Cerro de Cobre, some 50 miles further south, is approached only by cattle hunters with a military escort; travelers who have attempted the passes of the old overland road have rarely returned to tell the results of the all but inevitable encounter with the scouts of the outlaws. The valley formed by the west fork of the Rio Verde, was long dreaded as a haunt of runaway slaves, and these refugees have now been joined by desperadoes numerous enough to become savagely aggressive. Their neighbors, too, have abandoned hundreds of farms that can no longer be hoped to repay the toll of tillage. In stress of circumstances the outlaws take a subsistence by hunting and fishing, but without continue to extend the range of their marauding expeditions; and last winter one of their restless leaders was caught and hanged by a posse of exasperated rancheros, on the charge of having decorated his headquarters den with a mass of human heads, "nailed up spread-eagle fashion, or like a collection of dried fern-leaves." The total value of the property destroyed by these moss troopers has been computed to exceed half a billion dollars, and a list of their murders would resemble the bulletin of a Danubian war chief.—Dr. F. L. Oswald, in Forum.

The Queen's Buns.

Weigh four eggs. Take their weight both in flour and in sugar, and three-quarters of it in butter. Cream the butter, add the flour with one scant teaspoonful of baking powder and a pinch of salt sifted into it, beat the eggs well, and add them and the sugar and a few drops of lemon extract. Drop in a buttered pan, put a few currants and bits of citron and a sprinkle of cinnamon on each, and bake from 15 to 20 minutes in a brisk oven.—Puritan.

An Obstinate Sore Cured.

Jas. G. Amador, Della, O., writes: I had an obstinate sore on my face which everything else failed to heal; after one application of Banner Salve it began to heal and after three applications it was entirely healed, leaving no scar. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

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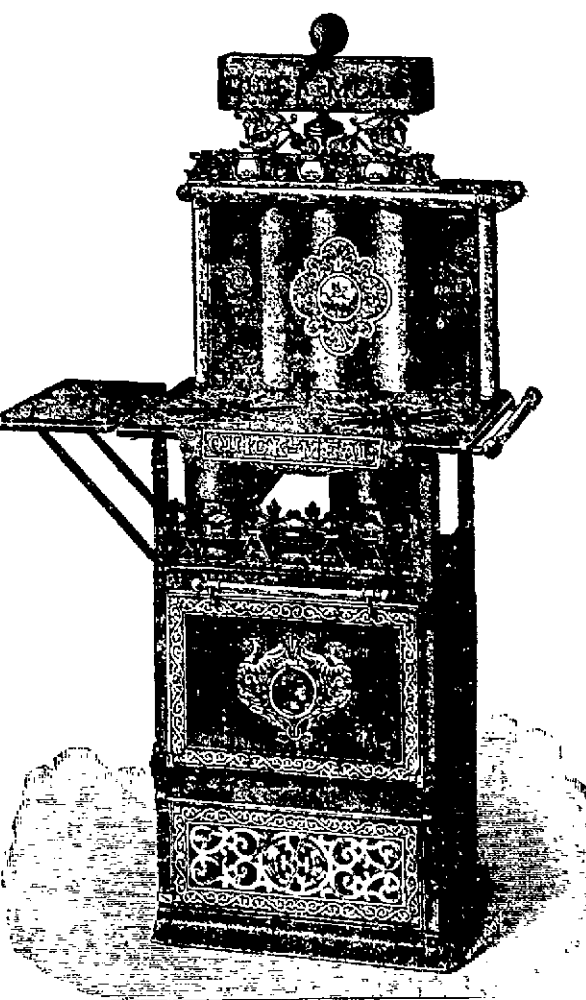
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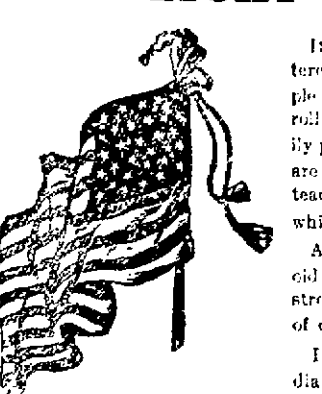
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LOCAL NEWS.

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Richard Mansfield and his company of 110 people at the Grand next Friday night in "Cyrano de Bergerac."

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Five candies at Gieseler's, 143 East Prairie.

Postmaster W. F. Calhoun, who will deliver the Memorial address at Newman, has been asked to speak at both Farmer City and Taylorville on that day.

Fresh Kentucky blue grass and white clover. New stock of flower and garden seed. Nasturtium and sweet peas in bulk. First door south of opera house. Hughes & Funk.—11-dtd

W. H. Spence, painting, paper hanging, kalsomining, etc. New phone, oec 637, residence 615.—3-dtd

Official Maps of the City for sale by W. E. Colladay, City Engineer's office or L. Chodot's News House. May 5-dtd

The famous Packard and Chickering pianos are to be had only at the O. B. Prescott music house on Prairie street. See them and you will place an order.

Taliaferro is the Spanish equivalent of Smith.

In all stages of Nasal Catarrh there should be cleanliness. As experience proves Ely's Cream Balm is a cleanser, soothes and soothes the diseased membrane. It is not drying nor irritating, and does not produce sneezing. To test it a trial size is mailed for 10 cents or the large for 50 cents by Ely Brothers, 16 Warren street, New York. Druggists keep it. Upon being placed into the nostrils it spreads over the membrane and relief is immediate. It is an agreeable cure.

Spend Sunday, May 14, in Indianapolis. Only \$1 the round trip, via I. D. & W. Special trains leaves here at 6:30 a. m. Returning leaves Indianapolis 6:30 p. m.—3-dtd

Whooping Cough.

I had a little boy who was nearly dead from an attack of whooping cough. My neighbors recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did not think that any medicine would help him, but after giving him a few doses of that remedy I noticed an improvement, and one bottle cured him entirely. It is the best cough medicine I ever had in the house.—J. L. Moore, South Burlington, Pa., for sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Wheelmen's Picnic.

The members of the Wheelmen's club will give a picnic next Sunday at Kretzer lake. Fifty or sixty of the members will take out a basket of lunch and spend the day.

Taking Business Away from Physicians.

We would impress it upon this community that health is paramount to all things, even to riches. Many a death in your immediate neighborhood could have been avoided had proper measures been used to give health. Reputable physicians will tell you too much medicine is all wrong. We will give you health and happiness. We are agents for Waukesha Mineral Waters, which consist of Plain Lithia and Spring Water, Carbonated Lithia or Ginger Ale. We are selling it very reasonable and for the return of bottles it costs you a very nominal sum. Come in and get prices.

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Fire Bugs! \$200 Reward!

The undersigned association of premium payers are maintaining a fund out of which is offered a Reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of any incendiary in any of the associated towns. The numerous fires in the country at large and the resulting fire sales of damaged merchandise are a heavy burden on the property and business interests of the state. Property Owners' Fire Association, Rock Island, Ill.—may 3-dtd

Insurance Gasoline stoves sole agents, Scovill Co.—4-29-dtd

Excursion to Mackinaw.

The P. D. and E. railroad will run the annual excursion to Mackinaw Falls next Sunday. The train will leave Decatur at 6:30 a. m. and return at 10 o'clock at night. Special rates are offered from points along the road. The round trip fare from Decatur will be 75 cents.

Ancient Order of Pyramids.

Regular Meeting of Decatur Council, No. 101, A. O. P., this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock.

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to the coffee drinker. Coffee drinking is a habit that is universally indulged in and almost universally injurious. Have you tried Grain-O? It is almost like coffee but the effects are just the opposite. Coffee attacks the stomach, ruins the digestion, affects the heart and disturbs the whole nervous system. Grain-O cleanses the stomach, aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. There is nothing but nourishment in Grain-O. It can't be otherwise. 15 and 25c per lb.—3-dtd

CENTRAL PARK

Extensive Improvements
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Will be Set Out and the Place is Being Beautified in Many Other Ways—Will be Attractive When Finished.

The city park commissioners are making some extensive improvements in Central park and when they have finished the place will be as pretty a little spot as can be found in any city. Central park is a place which is used a great deal in the summer time. Many persons find enjoyment by resting in the shade of the trees. The commissioners realize that the place should be beautified as much as possible and this is just what they are doing.

The grass which was dead in spots has been put in good condition. Next to the walks sod was laid and the main part of the park was seeded. Blue grass seed was first put in and timothy was sown to make the place green until the blue grass gets a good stand, which takes some time. Early in the season a number of new trees were set out and these are growing nicely. The new sidewalks also add greatly to the appearance of the park. Wide concrete walks extend from the four corners and from the center of the four sides to the middle of the park, where the fountain is located. The walk from Water street to the center divides into two walks in such a way that there is a large space between which will be used as a flower bed. In the center of this will be a large vase or urn as a centerpiece and around it flowers will be artistically grouped. Next to the walks there will be a strip of sod. The main part of the bed will be a mass of red, white and pink geraniums with a border on the outside of alternanthera, a kind of foliage plant. About 800 geraniums and about the same number of foliage plants will be used. These will be in bloom until frost and will add a constant touch of color to the place.

At the corners of the walks rustic iron arches will be put up so that persons will not walk across the corner and destroy the grass. Some of the trees will be protected with iron gratings so that the moisture can better reach the roots. The fountain will be repaired and will soon be started and the benches are now being painted red and green and will soon be set out. The park when the improvements are finished will be one of the most attractive places in the city.

The commissioners also hoped to do a good deal of work at Fairview park this summer. At present they are having the place cleaned up and put in shape but as yet have made no plans for further improvements. The extent of the improvements will depend largely upon the amount of the appropriation for park purposes.

The White Separator is used only on the Insurance Gasoline stove. Scovill Co., sole agents.—4-29-dtd

Experiment in Disinfection.

The local health department of the University of Illinois is conducting some very interesting experiments for the state board of health, upon the disinfection of rooms and other apartments. These tests are made by the use of the formaldehyde by various methods. Artificial cultures of several virulent germs are exposed in rooms which are then treated for given lengths of time with the disinfecting material and the results upon the germs so exposed are afterward determined. The work so far shows that the process may be entirely successful if the bacteria are in a moist condition, but if dry they are not usually killed. In infected rooms, railway coaches, etc., the contaminating germs of diphtheria, measles, tuberculosis or other pathogenic kinds of bacteria are mostly in the dry state, and any process of disinfection must be worth anything, kill them when in that condition. It now seems doubtful if this can be done by fumigation with formaline.

Cork insulation used only in North Star Refrigerators.—4-29-dtd

All Going to Los Angeles.

All teachers and educators, as well as those who contemplate a pleasure or business trip to California, will be interested in learning that the National Educational association convention will be held at Los Angeles, July 11 to 14, inclusive. It is probable that Superintendent and Mrs. E. A. Gastman of this city will be in charge of a party that will go from Decatur and vicinity. The convention will be one of the most interesting and profitable ever held in the west. The round trip rate from Chicago will be \$64.50; from St. Louis \$58.50. The tickets will be on sale June 25 to July 8, inclusive, and passengers must reach Los Angeles not later than July 11. The return limit is fixed for September 4. Stopover privileges will be allowed going and returning. Attractive side trips at comparatively small cost are offered. Mr. Gastman, who is one of the state directors for the Illinois North Central division, is one

of the managers for the national association, and is prepared to give full details as to the convention and rates to all interested in the July journey to California.

Musical Federation Notes.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat speaks of the performance of Miss Edna M. Bunn on Thursday at the Federation meeting, and also of that of Mrs. Hadden-Alexander, in the following complimentary terms:

"Very promptly the president, Mrs. Edwin F. Uhl, called the meeting to order, the first thing on the program being a piano number, Liszt's 'Tristram and Isolde,' by Miss Edna M. Bunn of the Musical Culture club of Decatur, Ill. This talented young lady played with feeling, and her performance was greeted with applause."

"Mrs. Hadden-Alexander, the pianiste, of New York, who will assist at the Kneisel concert Saturday, is the pupil of MacDowell, but she is an artist in her own right and need not refer to any master. Her interpretations of the old masters are said to be wonderful and she is besides a very sweet, gracious woman whom it is a pleasure to know."

Burial at Carmi.

Mrs. Elizabeth H. Pierce, aunt of Samuel D. McKenny, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. C. Eagleston at Peoria, of paralysis, was buried at Carmi, Ill., today. She was the wife of Rev. B. R. Pierce, who was for 41 years pastor in southern Illinois M. E. church. Three of her sons are pastors in the Methodist church, being located in Epworth, Rock Falls and Broadlands. A daughter is the wife of Rev. N. H. Lee of Denver. Mrs. Mary McKenny of this city, a sister, and S. D. McKenny, attended the funeral.

Hog Case.

Ivan C. Brown sued Robert W. Davis yesterday in Justice O'Mara's court. The amount of damages asked for was \$50. Brown let Davis have seven head of hogs to feed and fatten, and the hogs were to be sold and the profits divided. One of the animals was eaten by Davis and two others got away and Brown brought suit. Attorney L. H. Shelly represented the defendant and Attorney J. B. Moffatt the prosecution. The case was dismissed because it was shown that the men were in partnership in the hog deal.

Taken to Chicago.

Eva Vincent was taken to Chicago yesterday by Sheriff Lohman and will be placed in an erring woman's home to serve for two years and six months. The sentence was given her some time ago but it was suspended on the promise that she would reform. Her good resolutions did not last long and she was soon as bad as ever. The case of her partner, Laura Silver, will be held to await the action of the grand jury.

Funeral of Charles Blivins.

The funeral of the late Charles Blivins was held this forenoon. The cortege left the residence near Warrensburg at 10 o'clock and the services were held at Boiling Springs church at noon and the burial was at the Boiling Springs cemetery.

Made a Raid.

Last night Officer Holser made a raid on the rooms over Brown's saloon at the corner of Cerrito and Morgan streets. Four were arrested. They were Annie Tilly, the woman who runs the place, Walter Poor, Mattie Kitchen and Mamie Smith.

Master's Sale.

Master in Chancery Finn yesterday sold some property under a decree of foreclosure in the case of A. H. Mills, conservator, vs. L. E. Gandy. The property was 12 lots in North Side addition to Decatur and the price paid was \$2513.47.

Oglesby Interment.

Lincoln News: The private funeral and interment of the late General Oglesby will be held Saturday morning at Elkhardt. Miss Felicitie Oglesby and Miss Nina Gillette arrived this afternoon from New York, having landed there from Europe on Wednesday morning.

Stewart-Arnold.

Miss Gertrude Arnold and William H. Stewart, both of Mt. Auburn, were married by Justice James O'Mara at his office on Thursday. The groom is a farmer and the couple will reside near Mt. Auburn.

Coming to Decatur.

E. I. Roberts, recently of Bloomington, has purchased a fruit farm four miles from Decatur and will make his home in Macon county.

Decorating the Offices.

The offices of Knuy, Johns & Strohm, the insurance firm, are being redecorated. The walls have been repapered and the woodwork repainted.

Any child can operate an Insurance Gasoline stove.—4-29-dtd

Plain Drunk.

E. J. Westbrook was arrested yesterday by Officer Somerville. The man was drunk and was in a stupor under the West Eldorado street viaduct.

BERRIES PLENTY

Are Now Offered at a Reasonable Price.

SHIPMENTS FROM ARKANSAS

Arrived in the City To-Day—Sell at 12½ Cents Per Quart—Prices of Other Fruits and Vegetables.

Strawberries are now coming into the local market in large quantities. A big shipment arrived today and there will be plenty of the fruit on sale tomorrow. Most of the berries come from Arkansas where there is a fine crop. Earlier in the season berries came from farther south where there has been but little rain and consequently were not as plentiful but now they are coming from a district where there has been plenty of rain and the yield is good and the quality of the fruit first class. Today quart boxes of strawberries sold for 15 cents but tomorrow they will be offered at 12½ cents for the best grade.

There is not much else new in the fruit line. Oranges sell at 25 cents per dozen, bananas at 20 cents and pineapples at 25 cents each. Lemons sell for 25 cents per dozen.

There will likely be some new tomatoes offered but they will be very high, selling at 5 cents each. They come from Florida. California cauliflower is offered at 20 cents per head and cucumbers at 15 cents each. Green peas are in the market at 60 cents per peck and string beans at the same price but are not handled by many of the dealers. In the line of home grown vegetables there is plenty of pea plant, asparagus, cukes, radishes and new beets, all of which sell at 5 cents per bunch or three for 10 cents. The dry weather has made lettuce a little scarce during the past week. Old potatoes are cheaper now, being offered at 75 cents per bushel. New potatoes from Bermuda sell at 60 cents per peck.

Eggs are plentiful and are now offered by all of the dealers at 10 cents per dozen. Chickens are rather scarce and are still a little high in price.

A TRUE BRAIN

Can be Built by the Right Material.

The statement is made and is susceptible of proof that brains are built somewhat as a wall or house is built of certain defined and well understood things.

Wood may be the principal and largest article in a house, but it cannot be formed into a house without the nails, bolts or screws to hold it in shape.

We know that albumen is the building thing used by Nature in building a human brain; but albumen alone does not make a brain. It requires the small particles of Phosphate of Potash (like the nails in the house) to form the albumen into what is known as gray matter in brain and nerve tissue.

The albumen exists in large quantities in a variety of food. The Phosphate of Potash is found in its truest form in certain parts of feed grains. When a man shows brain fog or a woman shows nervous symptoms it is prima facie evidence that the Phosphate of Potash is used up faster than the food supplies it. Therefore either quit the worrying work or get food strong in the natural Phosphate of Potash, to more quickly and surely replace the daily loss.

That is the especial errand of the famous food, Grape-Nuts.

Good sturdy nerves and a healthy active tireless brain, will make a man rich where he is sure to fail when the brain is unable to carry out the best of the mind.

Remember that Phosphate of Potash as a drug, will not do, for Nature takes kindly only to such body builders when presented in food as proper food in Nature's own laboratory.

Grape-Nuts are to be found in first class groceries, and are tried in delicious flavor will never be forgotten, while the feeling of increased strength and vigor of brain and nerves will tell its own tale.

For Memorial Day.

At the next meeting of Probate Post, G. A. R., arrangements will be discussed for the Memorial Day celebration. The committee having the matter in charge have not yet selected the speaker for the occasion, but will have several in view and will select one.

All wool ingrain carpet for sale at Scovill's.—4-29-dtd

Gone to Bloomington.

Burns, the old soldier who claimed to have been all shot to pieces at different times, was released from county jail yesterday and is supposed to have started for Bloomington.

TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

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In the Philippine Islands—
Late Negotiations

POINT TOWARD SWEET PEACE

Formal Admission by Aguinaldo
the Sovereignty of United States
—Conferences Under Way Looking
to Settlement of Rebellion
—Plan of Government for
the Filipinos.

WASHINGTON, May 6.—Aguinaldo's representatives to the American Philippines commission have formally admitted the sovereignty of the United States over the Philippine archipelago. From a member of the cabinet it is learned that this admission was made to President Schurman at a conference held by him with Colonel Arguilla and Lieutenant Bernal several days ago. It was in reply to a direct question put to them by Mr. Schurman and the character of the answer was made as gratifying to the commission as it is to the president.

Peace Near at Hand.

As a result of a dispatch sent to Mr. Schurman yesterday, it is a confident expectation of the president that the end of the rebellion is close at hand. This result will not be obtained, though, without concessions which have been recommended by the commission and which, by direction of the president, will be granted. These concessions contemplate giving to the Philippines a form of government modeled after that of the United States.

The member of the cabinet who gave the above information said that the commission had unanimously adopted a recommendation, which was submitted to the president in Mr. Schurman's dispatch, providing that departments for the new government of the archipelago—first, the executive department; second, the legislative department, and third, the judicial department.

Plan of Government.

The executive department, as recommended by the commission, is to consist of a governor general, who shall have absolute veto power over any act of the legislature, and his cabinet formed of leaders among the Filipinos and Americans.

The legislative department will be organized as a result of granting autonomy to Filipinos having proper qualifications.

The president will be empowered to appoint the members of the judiciary. The governor general will be empowered to appoint the governor general.

Lawton on the Go.

MANILA, May 6, [P. M.]—General Lawton's column advanced two and half miles north of Baling today before making the forward movement. General Lawton sent back to Manila two wounded men of the Minnesota regiment and one of the Oregonians. In yesterday's fighting, besides the men, by way of Malolos.

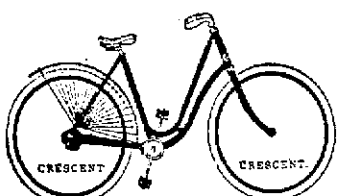
General Lawton's advance met with little resistance. Outside of Manila two thousand rebels who occupied a fortified position were routed in short order. Many corpses of rebels were discovered in the river at San Tomas. Boxes of rifles and other arms were recovered from the river, into which they were thrown by the retreating rebels.

General MacArthur's division, stationed at San Fernando, making extensive reconnoissances.

The Wounded.

WASHINGTON, May 6.—General Lawton reports the following casualties:

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